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**Re: United States Patent Application No. 09/931,272**  
**For: POWDER INJECTION MOLDING PROCESS AND APPARATUS**  
**Filing Date: August 17, 2001**  
**Applicant: Hakim Belhadjhamida**  
**Group: 1732**

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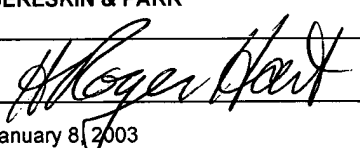
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